ISSUED MONTHLY

SOMNER'S SEASONABLE SUGGESTIONS

NOVEMBER, 1931

This is a Good Month to Plant

FLAG or BEARDED IRIS

SPECIAL OFFER—For this Month only

The Latest Creations of Modern Iris

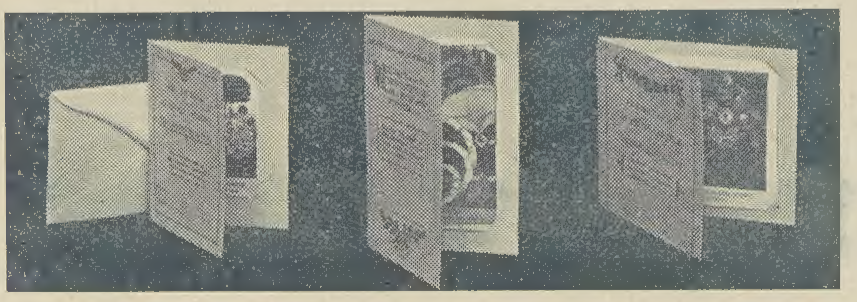
Ambassadeur.—Smoky reddish violet.
Abenda.—Old rose, overlaid bronze.
Ballerine.—Light blue-violet, fragrant.
Benrimo.—Light purple with white base.
Clunes.—Pale lilac, brown veinings.
Ed. Michel.—Deep reddish, Petunia-violet.
Hakador.—Pale rosy plum, white beard.
Halo.—Bluish-violet, large.
Lady C. Allom.—Rich blue.
Lent. A. Williamson.—Velvety purple.
Magnifica.—Reddish violet, brown stripes.
Neptune.—Purple blue.
Perry's Favourite.—Violet, white beard.
Queen Caterina.—Lavender, orange beard.
Rosalba.—Mahogany red.
Sirdar.—Crimson-purple.
Zouave.—White, suffused Lobelia blue.

(Usually priced at from 1/6 to 3/6 each). **NOVEMBER OFFER.**—1/- each; 10/- dozen.

General List of Flag or Bearded Iris

Alcazar—Purple, blue, and indigo.
Candelebre.—Blue and white, spotted.
Cypriana Catarina.—Purple and lavender.
Grachus.—Yellow, falls maroon-purple.
Inglebrog.—Pure white.
Italia.—Blue and purple.
Mirage.—Rosy pink and yellow.
Mist.—Pale blue.
Monsignor.—Lavender and Pansy-purple.
Nieberlungen.—Fawn and purple.
Nine Bells.—Blue and purple.
Oriflame.—Blue and dark purple.

(Usually 1/6 each). **NOVEMBER OFFER.**—9d. each; 7/6 dozen.



Novel and Appreciable Cards.

Express your Wishes by sending Seeds.

XMAS & NEW YEAR CARDS

(with packet of seed attached and envelope).

6d. and 1/- each.

Recommendable SEEDLINGS

FOR QUICK FLOWERING DISPLAYS.

Ageratum.—Blue, **9d.** dozen ; **5/6** per 100.
Aster.—Giant Crego, mixed, **6d.** dozen; **3/6** per 100. California Giant, mixed, **1/-** doz.; **7/6** per 100.
Begonia.—Bedding, Pink and Red, each **1/6** dozen ; **10/-** per 100.
Cosmos.—Single mixed, **6d.** dozen ; **3/6** per 100. Double Crested, mixed, **9d.** dozen ; **5/6** per 100.
Iresine.—Lindeni, red foliage, **1/6** dozen ; **10/-** per 100.
Marigold.— Giant Tree, **1/-** dozen; **7/6** per 100. African, mixed, **6d.** dozen ; **3/6** per 100. French mixed, **6d.** dozen ; **3/6** per 100.
Petunia.—Rosy Morn, Royal Purple, each **1/-** doz.; **7/6** per 100. Giants of California. **1/6** dozen; **10/-** per 100.
Phlox.—Grandiflora. **6d.** dozen; **3/6** per 100.
Portulaca.—Single mixed, **6d.** dozen ; **3/6** per 100.
Salvia.—Bonfire. **1/-** dozen; **7/6** per 100.
Stock.—Ten Week, "Tip-Top" Strain, Mixed **1/-** dozen; **7/6** per 100.
Zinnia.—Dahlia Flowered. **1/-** dozen; **7/6** per 100.

(Write for full list of Seedlings.)

Special Line of NYMPHAEAS (Water Lilies)

We have just secured a splendid line of **Mixed Water Lilies** (of the choicest varieties only), which we offer at **2/-** each ; **18/-** dozen.

HIPPEASTRUM

We are offering a limited supply of bulbs of the famous **Bradley Strain** (Mixed Colours). Magnificent giant flowers. **1/6** each.

Still Time to Plant JAPANESE CHRYSANTHEMUMS

On account of the splendid response we are extending our Special October Offer of Best Sorts for another Month.

Edith Cavell.—Chestnut, gold reverse.
First Dawn.—Pale pink, with waxy gold tips.
Golden Champion.—Yellow, bronzy centre.
Lord Somers.—Beautiful golden amber.
Lady Somers.—Old gold, shaded salmon.
Lady Swanson.—White, lower petals pink.
Mrs. Alex Aikman.—White, blush centre.
Majestic.—Golden amber.
Mdme. M. Stirling.—Crimson, chocolate reverse.
Marjorie Gould.—Large broad-petalled yellow.
Pockett's Crimson.—Deep crimson.
Red Majestic.—Golden amber.
Thos. Pockett.—Pink.
The Melba.—Creamy yellow.
Yellow Louisa Pockett.—Yellow.
Rose Day.—Beautiful pink.
Sir Wm. McPherson.—Pure yellow.
Undaunted.—Bright purple, silver reverse.

Special November Offer :—Only 1/- each ; 10/- doz.

DAHLIAS Write for Special List, Posted Free.

THE PINK ARUM LILY

This is a good month to plant this favourite Lily. Flowers when cut, will last for 14 days in water. Only **1/6** each.

FOR NOVEMBER ONLY—

Special Collection of Large-flowered Named GLADIOLI

We offer 12 selected varieties—full size bulbs—at an **UNUSUAL BARGAIN RATE** for the Collection.

America.—Lavender pink.
Dorritt.—Soft pink, crimson blotch.
Fairfax.—Fuchsia with cream lip.
Gold.—Glistening yellow.
Grantville.—Creamy buff, red lip.
Jean Tenny.—Lilac pink, sulphur blotch.
Lacrosse.—Vermilion and lemon.
Miss Maude Fay.—Lilac pink and cream.
Mrs. Velthuys.—Pure rich scarlet.
Pastel.—Apricot, pink and cream.
Shrimp.—Shrimp pink, cream lip.
Taj Mahal.—Mother of pearl and lilac.

Separate Varieties, 6d. each ; 5/- dozen. SPECIAL NOVEMBER OFFER—The Collection of Twelve Named Sorts for 2/6 (Posted 3/-).

Also **SPECIAL NOVEMBER OFFER** of

PRIMULINUS HYBRID GLADIOLI

Most graceful of all Gladioli. Beautiful colourings for Vases. We offer a splendid Mixture of the best sorts in yellow, pink, mauve, orange, cream, and saffron.

Full size bulbs (usually 2/6 dozen ; 17/6 100), **for only 1/- dozen (Posted 1/6) ; 7/6 100 (Freight or Postage extra).**

FOR NOVEMBER SOWING

Strains that represent Standard of Quality.

FLOWERS

ASTER.—Somner's "Tip-Top" Mixture of best sorts. 1/- pkt.; 3/- ¼-oz.

AMARANTHUS.—Tricolor (Joseph's Coat). 3d. pkt.; 1/- ¼-oz. Salicifolius, Red and Yellow variegated, 6d. pkt.

BALSAM.—Camellia-flowered. 6d. pkt.

CELOSIA.—Dwarf mixed (Cockscomb). 6d. pkt. Tall Mixed, (Feathered). 3d. pkt.

COSMOS.—Somner's "Tip-Top" Mixture, 6d. and 1/- pkt.

MARIGOLD. — Scotch, Gold Striped.— Tall, Double, superior to Giant Tree. 6d. pkt. African Orange Prince. 6d. pkt.; 8/- oz. French, Lilliput (Dwarf Double) for edging. 6d. pkt.

NASTURTIUM.—Somner's "Tip-Top" Mixture, (Tall). 6d. pkt.; 3/- oz. Somner's "Tip-Top" Mixture (Dwarf). 6d. pkt.; 3/- oz.

PHLOX.—Somner's "Tip-Top" Grandiflora Strain 1/- pkt.; 2/3 ¼-oz.; 8/- oz. Grandiflora Mixed, 6d. pkt.; 6/- oz.

PORTULACA.—Double Mixed. 6d. pkt.

PETUNIA.—Single Fluffy Ruffles. 2/6 pkt. Feltham Beauty mixed, 1/- pkt. Velvety Purple, 1/- pkt. Rosy Morn, 6d. pkt.

TITHONIA.—Speciosa (True Tango Mexican Sunflower)—Orange-scarlet, 6d. pkt.

ZINNIA.—Dahlia-flowered, 6d. pkt. Somner's "Tip-Top" Mixture— of best sorts, 6d. pkt. 10/- oz. Lilliput, Dwarf mixed, 6d. pkt.

VEGETABLES

BEET.—Crimson Globe, Turnip-rooted, Somner's Selected Strain. 6d. pkt.; 1/- oz.

CABBAGE.—Enfield Market. 6d. pkt.; 1/6 oz.

CAULIFLOWER.—Eclipse. 6d. pkt.; 2/6 oz. Early Green Leaf. 1/- pkt.

CARROT.—Chantenay, Somner's Special Strain. 6d. pkt.; 1/- oz.

CUCUMBER.—Apple-shaped. 6d. pk.; 2/6 oz. Long Prickly. 6d. pkt.; 1/6 oz.

CAPE GOOSEBERRY.—6d. pkt.

CORN, SWEET.—Golden Bantam. 6d. pkt.; 2/- lb.

LETTUCE.—Somner's Summer Perfection—(Crisp head). 6d. pkt.; 2/6 oz. Iceberg, 6d. pkt.; 1/6 oz. Continuity, 6d. pkt.; 2/6 oz.

MUSTARD and CRESS.—Each 6d. pkt.

ONION.—Spring. 6d. pkt.; 1/6 oz.

PARSNIP.—Hollow Crown. 6d. pkt.; 1/6 oz.

PEA.—Greenfeast (Early) 6d. pkt.; 1/6 lb.

RADISH.—Crimson Giant Forcing. 6d. pkt. 1/- oz.

SPINACH.—Round. 6d. pkt.; 1/- oz.

TOMATO.—Somner's Early Longkeeper and Marglobe (The two best varieties in cultivation). Each 1/- pkt. Plants 1/6 dozen; 6/- per 100.

TURNIP.—Orange Jelly. 6d. pkt.; 1/- oz.

SWEDE.—Somner's Garden. 6d. pkt.; 1/- oz.

Sow also, Melons, Pumpkin, Squash, Vegetable Marrow, Parsley, Kohl Rabi and Celery. Each 6d. pkt.

BEANS—Most Profitable Crop to Grow

Early Pale Dun (Dwarf French)—Very productive. Disease resistant. 6d. pkt.; 1/6 lb.

Emperor William (Dwarf French)—Heavy Cropper. Fine flavour. Disease resistant. 6d. pkt.; 2/- per lb.

Feltham Prolific (Dwarf French)—The heaviest cropper yet introduced. Pods are very crisp and practically stringless. 6d. and 1/- pkt. 3/- lb.

Canadian Wonder (Dwarf French)—Very prolific. 6d. pkt.; 1/6 lb.

"Startler," Waxpod (Dwarf Butter)—Pods 6 to 8 inches long of excellent flavour. 6d. pkt.; 2/- lb.

Epicure (Tall Climbing)—Entirely stringless. Delicious flavour. 6d. pkt.; 2/- lb.

Empire (Giant Runner)—The pods are 13 inches long or more. They are very broad and thick flesh. Almost stringless. 6d. and 1/- pkt.; 3/6 lb.

☞**White Monarch** (Specialty)—Wonderful Perennial Climbing Bean, 9 to 12 inches long, 1 to 1½ inches wide. Enormous cropper. Excellent flavour. Perennial. Continuous pickings for many months. 1/- and 2/- packet.

SPRAYS and FERTILISERS

To Use During November

(NOTE.—Owing to Sales Tax, the prices of some Insecticides and Fertilisers have slightly risen.)

For Scale on Deciduous and Evergreen Trees.—Elephant Brand Red Oil—1pt. 1/4; 1qt., 2/4; ½-gal., 3/6; 1 gal., 5/- Clensel (Non-poisonous)—½-pt., 1/7; 1 pt., 2/11; 1 qt., 5/4.

For Black and Green Aphis.—Clensel. (See above.) "Black Leaf 40"—1/7, 2/11, 4/9 bottles; ½-lb., 8/-; 1 lb., 13/3. "Sox"—3 tablets, 1/10; 6 tablets, 3/3; 12 tablets, 5/10.

For Thrip.—Clensel (see above). "Black Leaf 40" (see above). Gishurst Compound—1 lb. boxes, 2/8 each.

For Harlequin Bug.—Clensel (see above).

For Codlin Moth, Caterpillars, and Tomato Fly.—Elephant Brand Arsenate of Lead. Powder: Tins 9d. and 1/-; ¼lb., 1/10; 1 lb., 2/11; 2 lbs., 5/-; 7 lbs., 17/- Paste ½ lb., 1/4; 1 lb., 2/1; 2 lbs., 3/9; 5 lbs., 1/6 lb.

For Mildew on Roses.—Flowers of Sulphur—4d. lb.; 7 lbs. 2/2; 28 lbs. 7/6; (Sulphur Bellows, 1/10 each).

For Fungus Diseases and Curly Leaf on Peaches—"Elephant" Brand Lime Sulphur—½-pt., 10d.; 1 pt., 1/4; 1 qt., 1/9; ½-gal., 2/8; 1 gal., 3/6.

For Keeping Cabbage and Cauliflower Plants Clean.—"Grubbo"—1/- tin; 7 lb. lots or more, 9d. lb. (This is a non-poisonous preparation and much safer to use than Arsenate of Lead or similar insecticides).

For Killing Weeds on Lawns.—"Peepi"—3 lbs., 1/4; 7 lbs., 2/5; 10 lbs., 3/3; 14 lbs., 3/9; 28 lbs., 6/5; 56 lbs., 11/8; 1 cwt., 21/3.

For Tomato Wilt and Blight—"ARRESTO." Finest Preparation on the Market. Cartons, 1/7 each. Bulk: 7 lb. lots or more, 1/4 lb.

For Slugs and Snails.—"Original" Snail and Slug Destroyer—Cartons, 6d. each; in Bulk, 14 lbs., 2/8; 28 lbs., 5/-; 56 lbs., 8/6; 1 cwt., 16/-

For Cleansing the Soil, and Peamite.—"Tipulite"—1/7 tin; 7 lbs., 4/3: 14 lbs., 7/6; 28 lbs., 13/10; ½ cwt., 25/-; per cwt., 45/-

For Sweetening the Soil.— Limil, 6d. Carton; 5/4 bag. (We specially recommend the use of Limil on all soils now. This will sweeten the soil which has become sour after the wet winter, and thus prevent fungus diseases.)

For Weeds on Paths.—The "Globe" Weed Killer—In tins, ¼-lb., 1/1; ½-lb., 1/7; 1 lb., 2/8; 2 lbs., 4/9; 7-lb. lots or more, 1/11 lb.

General Garden Fertilisers.—Market Garden Fertiliser—1/- tin; 12/6 cwt. Sulphate of Ammonia—1/- tin; 5 lbs., 1/6; 28 lbs., 7/-; 1 cwt., 22/6. Floraphos—6d. packet; 2/- Carton; 7 lbs., 6/9; 14 lbs., 13/-

For Forcing Top-growth on Vegetables.—Nitrate of Soda—1/- tin; 14 lbs., 4/6; 28 lbs., 7/-; 1 cwt., 22/6.

For All Pot Plants.—Florettes (Food Tablets)—9d. Carton (posted 10d.)

For Increased Growth on Roses.—The "National" Special Rose Food. Cartons, 1/6 each; 7 lbs., 3/-; 14 lbs., 5/6; 28 lbs., 10/-; ½ cwt., 18/6; 1 cwt., 35/-

For Promoting Growth on Citrus Trees—"SPECIAL CITRUS FERTILISER." Makes them Healthier. 6d. lb. (Bags containing 5½ lbs., sufficient for fair-sized Tree, 2/3 bag.

SPECIAL BLUEING POWDER (For Hydrangeas)

Will make Hydrangea blooms turn blue. Water at frequent intervals with powder dissolved at the rate of 1 oz. to the gallon of water. Price, 1/- lb.

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